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DECISION GRANTING PETITION

TO RESET PERIOD FOR REPLY

In re Application of:

Hitoshi Ogawa, et al.

Application No: 09/812,582 Filed: March 21, 2001

ARLINGTON VA 22209

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For: DISK DRIVE APPARATUS AND METHOD OF MOUNTING SAME

This is a decision on the petition filed on December 3, 2002, requesting that the shortened statutory period for reply set forth in the Office communication mailed on November 5, 2002 be restarted to run from the date on which the Office re-mails a complete Office action, including a copy of a PTO-892 listing Morehouse et al (5,442,266) and furnishing a copy of the Morehouse et al. reference to applicant.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioner provided a statement that the Office communication in question was incomplete due to failure of the PTO-892 to reference the Morehouse et al. '266 patent used in a rejection in the Office action mailed November 5, 2002 and for failure to provide applicant with a copy of the same reference. The petitioner states that the Office was notified of the incomplete Office action within one month from the date it was received. The petition complies with the requirements set forth in MPEP Section 710.06. Accordingly the petition is granted and the period will be restarted from the date of the re-mailing of a complete Office action.

The application file is being returned to the examiner for correction. From there, the file will be forwarded to TC 2600 Technical Support Staff for remailing of a complete Office action. The period for response will run from the date of the new mailing.

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